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## KWINIUK RIVER COUNTING TOWER PROJECT, 1971

## INTRODUCTION

A salmon counting tower project was initiated in 1965 on the Kwiniuk River 110 miles east of Nome (Figure 1). The seventh season of operation was completed in 1971. The Kwiniuk River, similar to other major rivers in Norton Sound, receives moderate runs of chum and pink salmon which are harvested by subsistence and commercial fishermen. To effectively manage the Norton Sound Fisheries, it is important that frequent estimates of escapement during the season be obtained by either tower counts or aerial survey counts. The tower count is the more precise method and provides a check on the aerial surveys conducted.

## OBJECTIVES

The 1971 project objectives were to:

1. Obtain daily and seasonal timing and magnitude of salmon escapements.
2. Determine the travel time required for salmon to migrate from the mouth of the Kwiniuk River, near the commercial fishery, to the tower site.
3. Check 1970 salmon redds for the presence of unhatched eggs and sac fry.
4. Evaluate aerial survey estimates by comparison with counting tower enumerations of salmon escapements.
5. Periodically sample the Moses Point commercial salmon fishery and the escapement populations for age, sex and size information.
6. Determine a satisfactory location for a weir on the Kwiniuk River.
7. Conduct late season carcass surveys of the Tubutulik and Kwiniuk Rivers to compare species composition.

## METHODS AND MATERIALS

A portable 20-foot aluminum counting tower was erected adjacent to the river upon a 30 foot high bank at the same location used since 1965, approximately five miles above the river mouth.

A 25-fathom beach seine was used to block a secondary channel formed by a mid-river sand bar located across the main channel from the tower.

A power line with three 400-watt incandescent light bulbs housed in 18-inch diameter reflectors was strung across the main channel to provide illumination during darkness. A 1250-watt generator provided electric current for the lights.

A three-man crew began 18 hour counting operations on June 26 and terminated counting operations on July 29, 1971. Each crew member counted salmon for two 3-hour shifts daily from 1200 until 0600 the next day. Hourly counts were totaled. Salmon moving downstream and salmon caught above the tower for subsistence purposes were subtracted from the total count.

Chums were captured by seine at the mouth of the river, marked by plastic surveyor's marking tape (4 ft.) tied around the base of the tail, and released. The time of release was recorded and the time the fish were observed at the tower, five miles upstream, was recorded. Salmon were tagged and released in this manner in four different weeks. A different tape color was used each week.

Prior to the 1971 adult salmon migration, salmon redds near the tower were excavated by shovel. Eggs and fry which were still present in the gravel were caught and removed from the water with a fine mesh nylon net. The estimated volume of excavated gravel and the number of eggs and fry contained was recorded.

One aerial survey of the Kwiniuk River was conducted from a chartered Cessna 180 aircraft.

The commercial fishery catches were periodically sampled for age, sex and size information at the buying station near the river mouth. The escapement population was sampled near the tower site using a beach seine to capture the fish.

The three-man crew, using conventional measuring equipment, located a satisfactory weir site.

A carcass survey was made of the Tubutulik River from a point approximately one mile below Chukajak Creek to the mouth of the main river on July 30-31. A similar survey was made on the Kwiniuk River from a point about 20 miles above the tower to the tower site on August 1. The surveys were conducted by two men in an outboard-powered aluminum canoe.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Estimates of Escapements from Tower Counts

In 1971 a total of 38,243 chums and 16,151 pinks were counted past the tower. Based upon research data from 1965-1969, the average chum salmon escapement during the six hours from 0600 until 1200 was 2.1 percent of the total run (591). Using these figures, the expanded total escapements were 39,046 chums and 16,742 pinks. The above tower subsistence catch totals were 367 chums and 108 pinks. Final escapement totals are 38,679 chums and 16,634 pinks. Daily cumulative counts for 1965-1971 are presented in Appendix Table 1.

The main peaks of the chum run occurred during the periods July 8-12 and July 16-20, while the peaks of the pink run passed the tower during the periods July 10-12 and July 17-20 (Figure 2). The daily chum run was heaviest from 1600 to 2400 with the largest counts occurring from 2100 to 2200. The pink migration was greatest during a similar period, 1500 to 0100, with the peak occurring from 2100 to 2200 (Table 1).

The chum and pink salmon average daily peak of migration for the years 1965-1969 was greatest between the hours of 1900 and 2000 (Appendix Table 2).

The 1971 chum salmon escapement was the second highest ever recorded. The pink salmon escapement was fourth from the lowest recorded. Total chum and pink escapements for 1965-1971 are presented in Appendix Table 3.

### Commercial Fishery Catches

In 1971 the Moses Point commercial harvest of chums was the greatest ever recorded (43,456) with the peak of the catch occurring July 16 and a smaller peak on July 6 (Table 2). The pink salmon harvest was the poorest ever recorded (910) with the peak occurring on July 17. These dates correspond closely with the Kwiniuk River migration patterns (Figure 2). The economics involved in the Moses Point area's pink salmon fishery, i.e., lower return per weight of transported fish, uncertain market, etc., has kept the commercial harvest of this species to a minimum as compared to escapement for the past several years.

### Chum Escapement Predictions Based upon Tower Count Data

Determination of the 1967 brood year chum survival rate based upon known survival rate of the same brood year of pinks, which returned in

1969, was tested.<sup>1/</sup> Four years of Kwiniuk tower counts provided the basic data for comparison.<sup>2/</sup> Estimate number two of the 1970 regression analysis (39,580) was within 1.3 percent of the 1971 expanded escapement figure (39,046). This method assumes that the vast majority of chum salmon return as four-year-old fish. Sampling data indicates that this was the case for the years 1965, 1966, 1967, 1969 and 1970 when the age composition averaged 86 percent four year olds. However, in 1968 approximately 61 percent were five year olds. Also, this method does not allow for greatly fluctuating commercial harvest rates. At present effort and harvest levels this should not affect the results to a noticeable degree but may in the future when significant changes in effort, efficiency and methods of the commercial fishermen may occur. Unaccounted for survival factors may also affect the reliability of future prediction results. The regression data and prediction figures for 1972 and 1973 are presented below.

#### KWINIUK RIVER ESCAPEMENT DATA

X		Y	
Year	Pink Escapement	Chum Escapement	Year
1965 <sup>3/</sup>	15,834	26,661	1967
1966	10,864	16,958	1968
1967	3,587	19,687	1969
1968	128,580	68,004	1970
1969	56,683	39,046	1971
1970	235,131	Est. 110,112	1972
1971	16,742	Est. 23,630	1973

$$r = .991$$

$$\text{Given: } \Sigma x = 215.548 \times 10^3$$

$$\Sigma y = 170.356 \times 10^3$$

$$\bar{x} = 43.109 \times 10^3$$

$$\bar{y} = 34.071 \times 10^3$$

$$\Sigma (x - \bar{x})(y - \bar{y}) = 4290.22 \times 10^6$$

$$N = 5$$

$$\Sigma (x - \bar{x})^2 = 10835.20 \times 10^6$$

$$Y = a + B_{yx}X$$

$$Y = 17.000 \times 10^3 + .396X = 110,112 \text{ and } 23,630$$

The correlation coefficient for this data is again quite high, .991 of a possible 1.000 for a straight line relationship.

The 1972 estimated escapement of 110,112 chums for the Kwiniuk River is about six times the parent year escapement and indicates the possibility of excellent survival for the 1968 year class.

1/ Method described in Forecasting Chum Salmon Returns Based upon Pink Salmon Abundance of the Same Brood Year, 1966. Mattson, Chester R., USBCF.

2/ Kwiniuk Tower Report, 1970.

3/ The 1965 tower count was terminated before the end of the salmon run. The actual count of 8,668 pinks was expanded to include the percentage of pinks which pass the tower on an average year after July 19.

### Travel Time of Chum Salmon

Travel times of chum salmon tagged near the river mouth are presented in Table 3. Of 24 salmon tagged near the river mouth, 16 were observed from the tower, five miles upriver. The fastest travel time was 18.3 hours, the slowest was 139.3 hours and the average time was 57.2 hours. The wide variation in travel times between individuals in the first group tagged on July 5 (25.1-139.3 hours) was probably due in part to mixed river area stocks and early season milling. The second group tagged on July 14 showed less variation (51.2-69.9 hours) and passed the tower on the highest chum count day, possibly all headed for the same general spawning area. The third group tagged on July 19 made the fastest time and had the smallest variation (18.3-20.6 hours). Four individuals from this group of seven were not accounted for and possibly spawned below the tower. Milt and eggs flowed freely from chums seined in the river near the tower on July 20. Of the last group of four tagged on July 25, only one chum was observed at the tower (25.3 hours) and it went back downstream. This group possibly spawned below the tower.

This data indicates that the majority of later running chums spawn in the lower portions of the river. More intensive research would be required to determine if this is actually the case.

This experiment should be repeated until results are statistically sound, at which time daily counts can be more closely correlated with daily commercial fishing catches for a more refined day to day management of the commercial fishery.

### Excavation of 1970 Salmon Redds

It would be useful to know when salmon fry leave the gravel and migrate to the ocean at more northern latitudes. As a basic step, several 1970 salmon redds were excavated in June. The results are shown in Table 4. Eggs were present in all redds excavated; however, the percentage of viable eggs was not definitely determined. This experiment should be repeated with better equipment in 1972 and the viability of eggs and sac fry should be determined.

### Aerial Survey Estimate Compared to Tower Count

A late aerial survey of the entire Kwiniuk River was conducted on August 10, 1971. A total of 800 chum, 60 pinks and 5,892 carcasses was tallied on that portion of the river above the tower. The cumulative tower count through July 29 was 38,243 chums and 16,151 pinks. The aerial survey should have been conducted earlier in the season for a direct comparison of escapement totals. However, the results may be useful in estimating escapements based upon late season aerial survey counts of other streams in the area.

### Population Sampling--Age, Sex and Length Data

A total of 540 chums was sampled from the Moses Point commercial fishery and 508 chums were collected by beach seine from the spawning population of the river to obtain age, sex and length data. The scales collected were aged and the data tabulated in the Northern Region Salmon Age, Sex and Size Data Report, 1971.

### Basic Plans for Weir Location

The site selected for a possible weir on the Kwiniuk River is located 150 yards downstream from the present tower site. Figure 3 shows the stream profile at this location.

### Carcass Surveys of the Tubutulik and Kwiniuk Rivers

Carcass survey results and results of other surveys are listed below for comparison.

Enumeration method	1971				1970		
	Kwiniuk R. tower 7/29	Kwiniuk R. carcass 8/1	Tubutulik R. aerial 7/20	Tubutulik R. carcass 7/31	Kwiniuk R. tower 7/29	Tubutulik R. aerial 7/25	Tubutulik R. carcass 7/30
No. of chums	39,046	1,249	16,820	1,150	68,004	38,200	1,234
No. of pinks	16,742	402	7,500	797	235,131	136,590	6,995
Species Ratio	2.33:1	3.11:1	2.24:1	1.44:1	1:3.46	1:3.57	1:5.67

The Tubutulik River aerial survey ratios correspond closely with the Kwiniuk River tower count ratios for both years.

No definite conclusions can be arrived at, based upon this limited data. However, the figures above do indicate possible differences in the species composition of the spawning populations of the two rivers, i.e., higher proportion of pink salmon in the Tubutulik River, and also, the possibility of a correlation between species ratios obtained from aerial survey counts of the Tubutulik River and these derived from the Kwiniuk River tower count.

## SUMMARY

1. For the seventh consecutive year a counting tower project on the Kwiniuk River, a typical Norton Sound salmon stream, was operated primarily for the purpose of obtaining the daily and seasonal timing and magnitude of the salmon runs which can generally be applied toward management of the Norton Sound fisheries.
2. An expanded total of 39,046 chums and 16,742 pink salmon were recorded as passing the tower in 1971. The peaks of the chum run occurred on July 8-12 and July 16-20, while the pink run peaked during the periods of July 10-12 and July 17-20. The 1971 counts were the second highest for chums and the fourth poorest for pinks.
3. Chums tagged at the mouth of the Kwiniuk River took an average of 57.2 hours to travel the five miles up to the tower site.
4. Salmon redds from 1970 were found to contain eggs and live sac fry in late June 1971.
5. Figures obtained from an aerial survey, which was conducted too late in the season for direct comparison of tower escapement totals, may be useful in estimating escapements from late season aerial survey counts.
6. Age, sex and size data was collected from both the commercial fishery and the spawning escapement population.
7. A satisfactory weir site was located.
8. Carcass surveys of the Kwiniuk and Tubutulik Rivers yielded ratios of chums to pinks of 3.11:1 and 1.44:1 respectively.



Figure 1. Map of the Kwiniuk River, Alaska

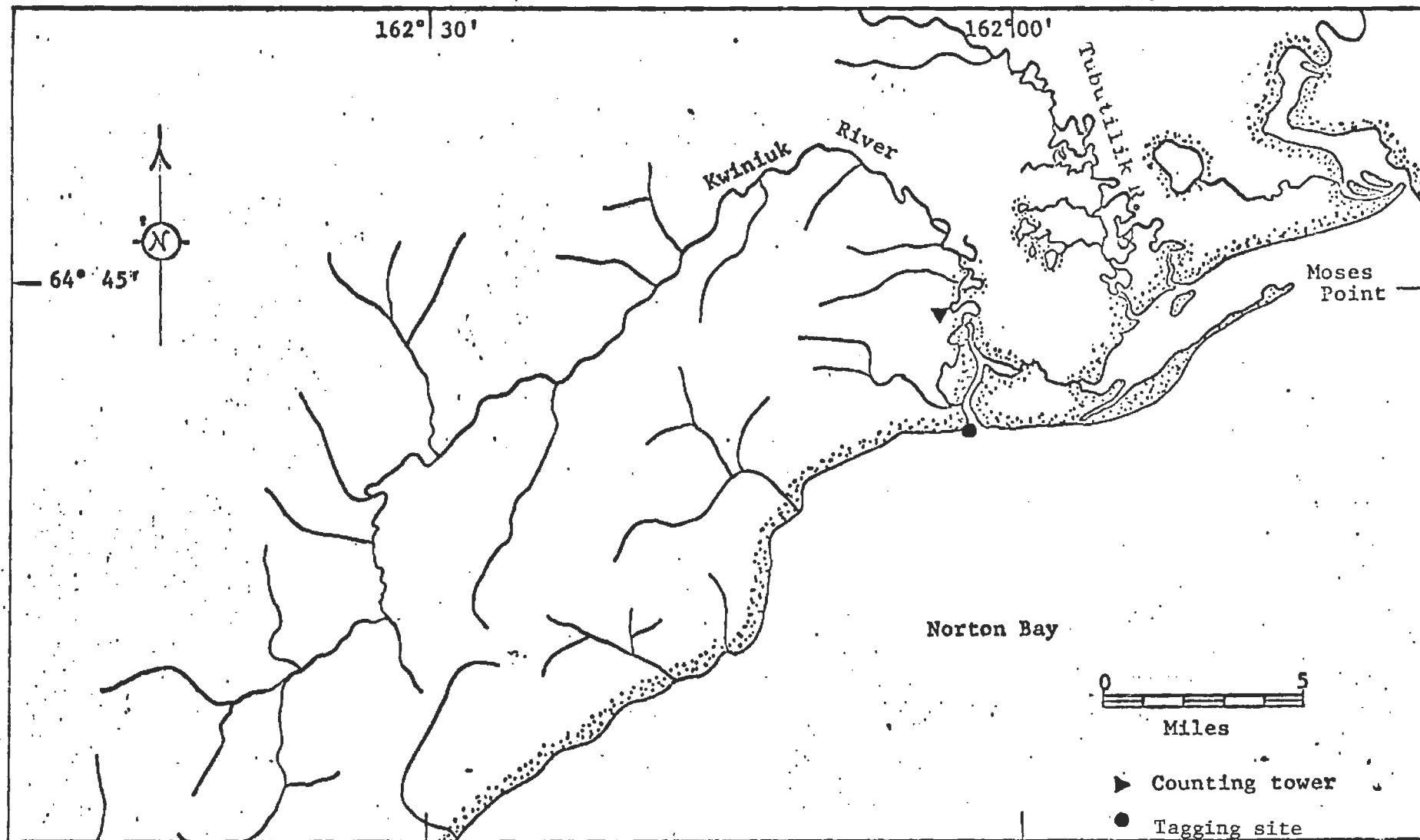


Figure 2. Daily migration patterns of chum and pink salmon, Kwinik River, 1971.

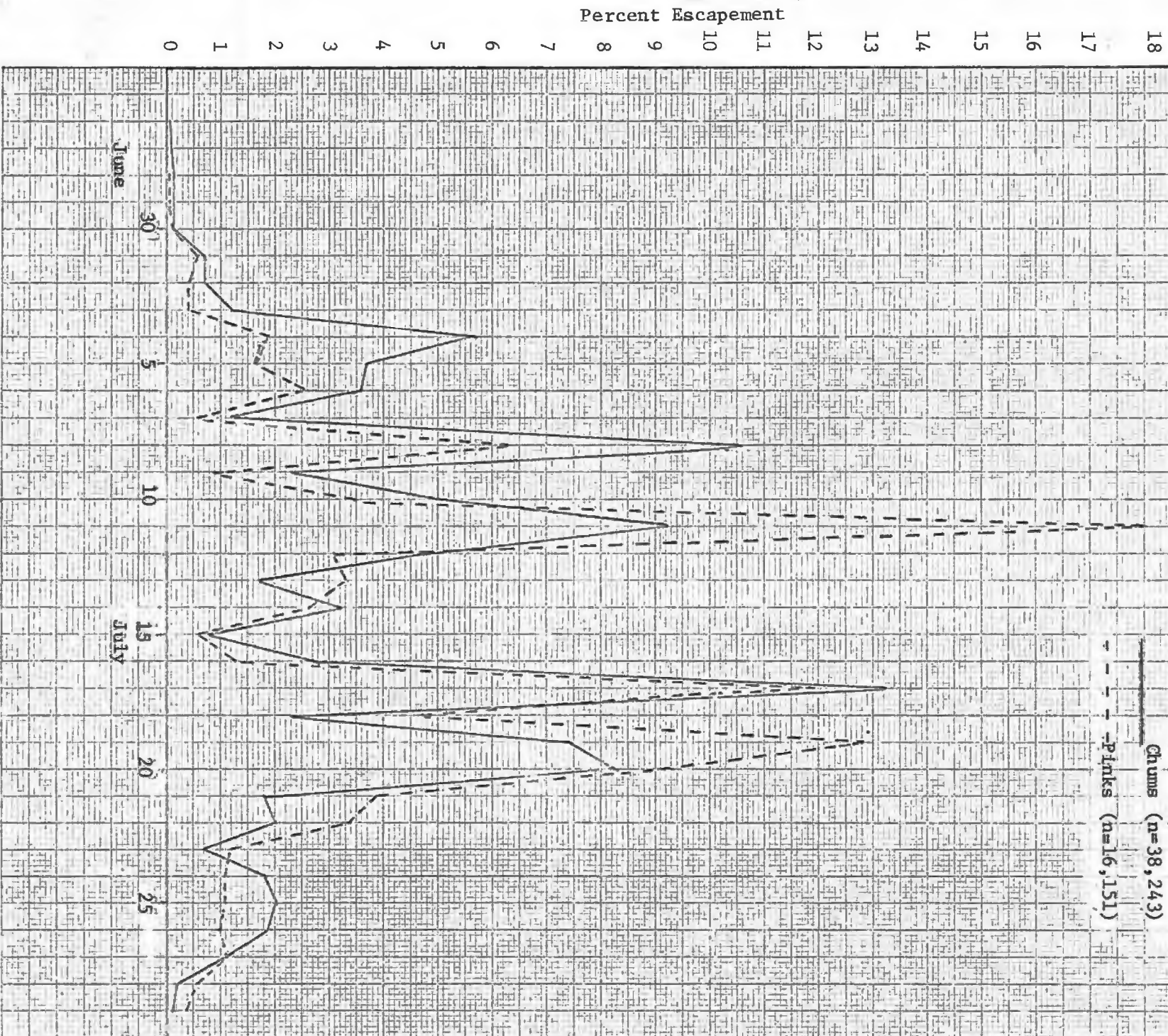


Figure 3. Possible Weir Site, Kwiniuk River

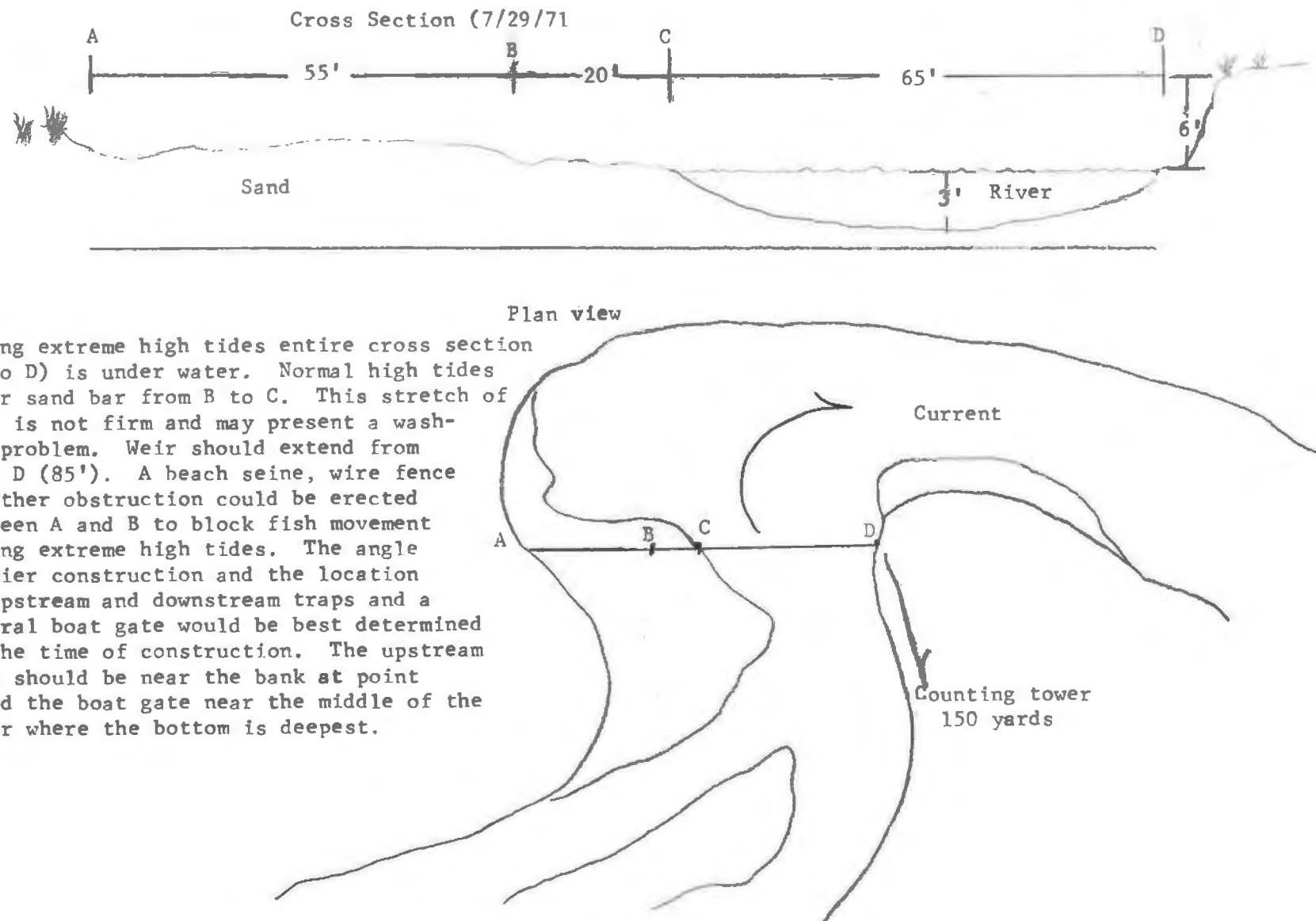


Table 1. Kwiniuk River daily - hourly counts and percentages, 1971.

Species: CHUM

Hour	0	1	2	3	4	5	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Daily Total	% Of Total Run
Date																				
June 26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	23	0.06
27	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	28	0.07
28	16	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	6	2	44	0.12
29	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	7	44	0.12
30	32	2	4	-	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	57	0.15
July 1	4	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	22	141	57	256	0.7
2	28	-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	25	41	176	-	276	0.7
3	32	16	-3	-	-	-	-	6	-	2	-1	130	40	21	32	163	-	15	453	1.2
4	13	22	1	9	-	-	-	-	98	9	39	657	237	396	262	251	59	128	2181	5.7
5	11	4	23	6	-	-	19	52	1	60	144	224	486	117	27	25	201	21	1421	3.7
6	37	14	9	4	1	-	-	24	-	10	48	95	-	35	53	452	380	233	1395	3.6
7	-	12	-	1	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	14	-	83	112	129	75	42	473	1.2
8	14	364	3	1	19	12	-	-	-	146	231	217	337	235	239	1606	495	107	4026	10.5
9	326	73	25	60	1	-	5	11	27	107	139	49	12	15	18	-	1	-7	862	2.3
10	32	4	2	1	-	-	45	19	178	710	520	111	115	85	17	-	16	7	1862	4.9
11	-268	-5	3	14	19	-	-2	4	221	645	509	1160	255	720	91	24	-9	120	3501	9.2
12	-20	-4	5	-2	-16	-1	-9	-47	-4	19	243	240	162	203	246	179	272	326	1792	4.7
13	163	43	17	48	36	26	110	-104	-5	-20	34	65	37	26	25	25	79	47	652	1.7
14	27	-143	-459	-103	-63	-71	-1	-5	-15	63	43	36	60	73	426	985	243	124	1220	3.2
15	64	53	42	41	22	-2	1	1	-	3	13	-	16	14	21	14	-14	3	292	0.8
16	5	15	11	4	6	-	10	2	4	8	28	176	60	140	59	57	40	426	1051	2.7
17	371	185	197	115	132	12	511	25	13	133	976	992	328	338	162	307	230	19	5046	13.2
18	55	40	98	115	51	4	10	2	2	-	-	16	6	49	108	129	20	176	881	2.3
19	208	99	42	22	11	10	3	35	1	67	262	329	149	338	303	482	162	321	2844	7.4
20	84	109	66	12	11	10	484	887	499	410	109	27	16	137	51	9	37	162	3120	8.2
21	81	29	18	6	8	11	-	1	-	-	1	2	104	13	2	67	163	167	673	1.8
22	124	33	48	13	11	4	5	-	-	3	1	-	11	64	181	122	92	52	764	2.0
23	31	34	8	4	2	7	5	-	2	-	7	14	-1	10	43	11	60	36	273	0.7
24	2	11	6	14	4	1	-	16	-	-	1	-1	-	185	221	89	29	97	675	1.8
25	40	11	48	32	3	3	1	-2	3	10	30	69	165	77	5	4	76	199	774	2.0

Table 1. (continued) Kwiniuk River daily - hourly counts and percentages, 1971 Species: CHUM

Hour	0	1	2	3	4	5	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Daily Total	% of Total Run
Date																				
July 26	80	100	5	7	3	13	-	1	-	10	-	-	118	77	206	46	23	32	721	1.9
27	70	28	15	46	2	2	-	-	9	-	1	7	9	22	35	86	40	55	427	1.1
28	14	21	11	13	1	-	-	-	-	4	1	5	-	1	5	2	4	-3	79	0.2
29	24	5	10	9	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	5	-	-	57	0.15
Hourly TOTALS	1740	1192	256	492	275	47	1198	928	1034	2399	3379	4636	2723	3483	3005	5332	3117	3007	38,243	100.07
% of Total Run	4.5	3.1	0.7	1.3	0.7	0.1	3.1	2.4	2.7	6.3	8.8	12.1	7.1	9.1	7.9	13.9	8.2	7.9		99.90

Species: PINK

June 26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	7	-	-	-	9	0.06
29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	0.02
30	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	10	19	0.12
July 1	12	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	43	20	94	0.6
2	11	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	12	4	22	-	57	0.4
3	8	7	-10	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	2	3	7	1	35	-	2	59	0.4
4	1	3	3	2	-	-	-	-	2	1	4	70	2	40	33	73	22	55	311	1.9
5	2	3	2	-	-	1	-	2	1	4	5	14	124	42	19	7	38	3	267	1.7
6	12	4	4	6	-	-	-	3	-	1	4	6	1	5	65	111	116	64	402	2.5
7	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	11	11	23	36	21	106	0.6
8	2	51	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	14	3	13	17	26	63	500	277	47	1016	6.3
9	59	8	5	24	-	1	6	1	3	7	15	1	5	5	13	3	2	-11	147	0.9
10	10	3	-	-	-	-	9	-	22	66	165	67	81	57	19	2	12	58	571	3.5
11	-136	-2	1	4	16	2	-1	3	32	277	291	789	190	1265	74	12	1	84	2902	18.0
12	3	-3	-	-	-4	1	3	-6	-1	28	78	52	30	34	59	54	65	104	499	3.1

Table 1. (continued) Kwiniuk River daily - hourly counts and percentages, 1971 Species: PINK

Hour	0	1	2	3	4	5	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Daily Total	% of Total Run
Date																				
July 13	42	21	5	14	19	6	31	24	-2	1	9	32	5	91	6	40	94	94	532	3.3
14	10	-55	-109	-20	-10	-27	-4	-1	-1	19	4	5	15	22	106	306	108	56	424	2.6
15	12	21	20	6	7	2	1	--	--	2	1	-	-	9	7	5	1	7	101	0.6
16	6	8	8	4	1	-	-	-	-	2	5	17	2	24	25	19	7	85	213	1.3
17	79	28	15	17	30	3	45	5	3	32	143	197	334	298	140	181	339	25	1914	11.9
18	78	44	43	95	58	2	11	4	1	13	1	19	8	39	50	117	31	141	755	4.7
19	395	103	49	42	43	40	2	11	3	31	42	76	73	121	262	441	144	191	2069	12.8
20	121	84	35	45	8	11	111	214	227	103	52	55	29	87	72	19	41	154	1468	9.1
21	55	31	8	1	13	18	-	-	4	-	6	1	16	9	1	166	187	117	633	3.9
22	99	15	15	3	3	2	4	-	-	4	1	10	17	71	72	129	65	42	552	3.4
23	18	20	2	3	2	3	2	3	7	-	12	17	--	5	27	26	24	15	186	1.2
24	9	--	10	6	4	-	-	4	-	1	-	-1	10	11	47	31	15	29	176	1.1
25	13	10	7	8	2	3	1	-	-	3	14	22	30	10	12	12	10	16	173	1.1
26	20	22	1	3	2	4	-	-	-	2	-	-	11	16	21	15	24	19	160	1.0
27	35	9	4	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	20	10	41	19	23	178	1.1
28	7	5	5	17	20	3	-	2	1	1	-	6	-	6	2	8	6	4	93	0.6
29	11	2	8	2	3	-	-	4	-	1	-	26	-	-	4	-	--	1	62	0.4
Hourly Totals	998	448	140	289	219	76	221	273	302	617	855	1502	1012	2333	1254	2380	1756	1476	16151	100.2
% of Total Run	6.2	2.8	0.9	1.8	1.4	0.5	1.4	1.7	1.9	3.8	5.3	9.3	6.3	14.4	7.8	14.7	10.9	9.1		100.2

Table 2. Moses Point subdistrict (Norton Sound district)  
commercial catches by date, 1971.

Date	Chum	Pink
6/29	192	----
6/30	261	----
7/2	2,600	----
7/3	2,286	----
7/6	<u>5,792</u>	134
7/7	5,408	55
7/8	581	19
7/9	4,881	60
7/10	3,604	28
7/13	60	----
7/14	3,404	97
7/15	604	8
7/16	<u>7,992</u>	<u>315</u>
7/17	4,137	184
7/20	527	5
7/21	325	5
7/23	289	----
7/24	69	----
7/27	278	----
7/28	166	----
Totals	43,456	910

Table 3. Travel times of tagged chums, Kwiniuk River, 1971.<sup>1/</sup>

Tag Color	No. Tagged	Date and Time of Release	Date and Time at Tower	Travel Time (Hours)	Travel Rate (Hours per mile)	Average Travel Rate
Orange	7	7/5 - 2000	7/6 - 2154	25.9	5.2	15.2
			7/6 - 2316	27.3	5.4	
			7/8 - 2105	73.1	14.6	
			7/8 - 2340	75.7	15.1	
			7/10- 1530	115.5	23.1	
			7/11- 1520	139.3	27.9	
			(1 caught commercially in front of FAA station - 0600 - 7/10)			
Yellow	6	7/14 - 2320	7/17 - 0233	51.2	8.5	12.4
			7/17 - 0323	52.1	8.7	
			7/17 - 1737	66.3	11.1	
			7/17 - 1746	66.4	11.1	
			7/17 - 1758	66.6	11.1	
			7/17 - 2118	69.9	11.7	
			Red	7	7/19 - 1920	
7/20 - 1545	20.4	4.1				
7/20 - 1558	20.6	4.1				
White	4	7/25 - 1945	7/26 - 2115	25.3	5.1	5.1
TOTALS	24		16	$\frac{913.9}{16} = 57.2$		11.5

<sup>1/</sup> Captured, tagged and released near the commercial fishery at the mouth of the Kwiniuk River. Elapsed time required to travel from release to observation at the tower site approximately 5 miles upriver was recorded.



Table 4. Kwiniuk River salmon redd excavation results, June, 1971.

Sample No.	Date	Location	Volume of Gravel ft. <sup>3</sup>	No. of <sup>1/</sup> Eggs.	No. of <sup>2/</sup> Sac Fry	Eggs per ft. <sup>3</sup> of Gravel
1	6/25	Camp	4.5	65	0	14.4
2	6/25	Camp	9.0	35	14	3.9
3.	6/27	Camp	7.0	18	0	2.6
4.	6/30	Tower	8.0	55	1 (dead)	6.9
5.	6/30	Tower	8.0	20	0	2.5
6.	6/30	Tower	8.0	55	0	6.9
TOTALS			44.5	248	15	5.6

<sup>1/</sup> Approximately 5% live by estimation.

<sup>2/</sup> Some live sac fry were found in redd 2, however, the numbers of live fry were not recorded.

Appendix Table 1. Daily total cumulative salmon escapement, Kwiniuk River, 1965-1971.

Species	Date	YEAR							
		1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Chum.	6/18	6							
	6/19		24						
	6/20		50						
	6/21		158						
	6/22		506						
	6/23		750						
	6/24		1,048	5	66				
	6/25		597	24	231		2		
	6/26		1,060	77	1,066	57	17	23	
	6/27	218	1,189	270	1,812	113		51	
	6/28	983	1,607	315	2,838	427		95	
	6/29	2,576	1,768	1,455	3,509	571	645	139	
	6/30	3,445	2,180	2,148	4,433	1,475	2,302	196	
	7/1	7,741	5,728	2,739	5,971	2,057	3,327	452	
	7/2	8,794	7,619	3,027	6,914	2,744	6,420	728	
	7/3	9,988	8,054	3,491	8,427	3,861	14,467	1,181	
	7/4	11,050	10,050	5,647	9,409	6,056	20,873	3,362	
	7/5	12,078	11,958	6,157	10,247	7,137	26,699	4,783	
	7/6	12,602	13,184	9,605	12,345	8,107	30,596	6,178	
	7/7	13,455	13,703	13,088	14,950	9,514	31,468	6,651	
	7/8	13,824	15,703	15,691	16,637	10,568	34,695	10,677	
	7/9	15,630	17,503	18,513	17,920	11,727	40,012	11,539	
	7/10	19,147	17,472	21,487	18,201	12,197	40,362	13,401	
	7/11	2,818	19,551	23,459	18,266	12,577	44,180	16,902	
	7/12	23,491	24,549	26,165	18,332	15,200	47,305	18,694	
	7/13	25,444	27,225	26,473	18,348	14,198	47,738	19,346	
	7/14	32,026	27,579	26,495	18,481	14,879	50,304	20,566	
	7/15	32,190	28,604	26,532	18,507	16,057	56,948	20,858	
	7/16	32,437	28,336	26,584	18,518	16,364	60,275	21,909	
	7/17	32,503	28,844	26,598	18,553	17,117	62,577	26,955	
	7/18	32,861	29,965	26,625	18,677	18,283	63,065	27,836	
	7/19		31,584	26,631	18,732	18,645	63,624	30,680	
	7/20		32,154	26,681	18,764	18,856	65,673	33,800	
	7/21		32,398	26,661	18,824	19,171	65,717	34,473	
	7/22		32,723		18,868	19,311	66,062	35,237	
	7/23		32,938		18,893	19,328	66,176	35,510	
	7/24		33,030			19,463	66,336	36,185	
	7/25		33,137			19,492	66,545	36,959	
	7/26		33,153			19,687	66,584	37,680	
	7/27		33,184				66,599	38,107	
	7/28		33,182				66,602	38,186	
	7/29						66,604	38,243	
						x	2.1%	2.1%	
						=	1,400	= 803	
						+	66,604	+38,243	
							68,004	39,046	
								- 3672/	
								38,679	

1/. 1970 was the first year of 18 hour counts, 12 noon until 6:00 A. M. the next day. The average escapement for the hours from 6:00 A. M. until 12 noon for the years 1965-1969 was 2.1 percent of the total escapement for chums and 3.66 percent for pink salmon.

2/. Subsistence Catch.

Appendix Table 1. (continued) Daily total cumulative salmon escapement,  
Kwiniuk River, 1965-1971.

Species	Date	YEAR							
		1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Pink	6/18								
	6/19								
	6/20								
	6/21								
	6/22								
	6/23								
	6/24								
	6/25						3		
	6/26					17	13		
	6/27					19	16		
	6/28	174			48	41	17	9	
	6/29	260			214	52	47	12	
	6/30	220			534	117	198	31	
	7/1	276		1	755	131	298	125	
	7/2	314	11	3	1,330	232	465	182	
	7/3	349	29	4	1,732	378	1,096	241	
	7/4	396	317	6	2,501	1,165	4,643	552	
	7/5	388	517		3,141	2,259	10,949	819	
	7/6	390	533		4,777	3,974	20,413	1,221	
	7/7	412	568	18	13,719	6,415	20,159	1,327	
	7/8	588	607	45	38,560	8,683	25,359	2,343	
	7/9	650	673	521	67,509	11,406	30,729	2,490	
	7/10	820	683	718	81,776	12,684	31,459	3,061	
	7/11	1,120	722	1,282	105,977	13,539	39,601	5,963	
	7/12	1,526	758	1,926	112,512	15,477	50,921	6,462	
	7/13	1,653	817	2,685	112,851	18,250	52,800	6,994	
	7/14	2,856	898	3,138	112,775	19,379	59,521	7,418	
	7/15	4,488	1,205	3,160	114,032	25,056	90,681	7,519	
	7/16	7,301	1,008	3,320	114,546	27,850	127,335	7,732	
	7/17	7,456	1,206	3,348	116,700	33,907	148,750	9,646	
	7/18	7,571	1,771	3,380	120,920	40,106	155,935	10,401	
	7/19	8,668	3,269	3,406	124,038	43,083	161,963	12,470	
	7/20		3,894	3,432	125,376	46,812	179,160	13,938	
	7/21		4,190	3,567	126,616	51,129	185,247	14,571	
	7/22		5,558	3,587	127,530	53,363	198,958	15,123	
	7/23		6,777		127,994	53,958	208,403	15,309	
	7/24		7,843		128,580	54,927	214,233	15,485	
	7/25		10,015			55,403	222,209	15,658	
	7/26		10,691			56,683	225,546	15,818	
	7/27		10,798				226,712	15,996	
	7/28		10,864				226,829	16,089	
	7/29						226,831	16,151	
						x	3.66% <sup>1/</sup>	x	3.66%
						=	8,300	=	591
						+	226,831	+	16,151
							235,131		16,742 <sup>2/</sup>
								-	108 <sup>2/</sup>
									16,634

1/. Subsistence catch.

Appendix Table 2. Total counts by hour showing percentage of total count for the <sup>19</sup> years 1965-1969.

Species: Chums										
Year	1965		1966		1967		1968		1969	
Hour	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
00-01	2043	6.27	904	3.67	880	3.18	2214	11.7	753	3.8
01-02	1938	5.95	1255	5.10	917	3.31	1355	7.1	356	1.8
02-03	627	1.93	967	3.93	487	1.76	735	3.9	84	0.4
03-04	405	1.24	654	2.66	353	1.27	720	3.8	284	1.4
04-05	186	0.57	224	0.91	111	0.40	314	1.7	279	1.4
05-06	131	0.40	58	0.24	123	0.44	27	0.1	292	1.5
06-07	121	0.37	13	0.005	60	0.22	40	0.2	46	0.2
07-08	66	0.20	80	0.33	53	0.19	66	0.3	181	0.9
08-09	60	0.18	-25	0.0	16	0.06	22	0.1	186	0.9
09-10	35	0.11	-19	9.0	67	0.24	33	0.2	72	0.4
10-11	118	0.36	7	0.003	287	1.04	22	0.1	51	0.3
11-12	98	0.30	-2	0.0	-161	-0.58	35	0.2	77	0.4
12-13	305	0.94	161	0.66	22	0.08	-4	0.0	161	0.8
13-14	1523	4.68	147	0.60	495	1.79	69	0.4	1128	5.7
14-15	3386	10.40	483	1.96	496	1.79	440	2.3	963	4.9
15-16	1677	5.15	792	3.22	788	2.84	833	4.4	749	3.8
16-17	1556	4.78	1369	5.57	2937	10.6	879	4.6	1830	9.3
17-18	3961	12.16	1962	7.98	2519	9.09	698	3.7	2180	11.0
18-19	2777	8.53	2031	8.25	2304	8.31	1282	6.8	1995	10.1
19-20	2387	7.33	3392	13.78	3836	13.8	1947	10.3	1606	8.1
20-21	1863	5.72	2798	11.36	3600	13.0	1786	9.4	2109	10.7
21-22	2289	7.03	3523	14.30	3093	11.2	1409	7.4	1770	9.0
22-23	3082	9.47	2226	9.06	2412	8.7	1462	7.7	1180	6.0
23-24	1927	5.92	1574	6.40	2017	7.28	2586	13.6	1470	7.4
Totals	32561	99.99	24574	99.98	27712	100.5	18970	100.0	19802	100.2

Appendix Table 2. (continued) Total counts by hour showing percentage of total count for the years 1965-1969.

Species: Pinks											
Year	1965		1966		1967		1968		1969		All years
Hour	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	%
00-01	526	6.76	22	0.02	140	4.1	9974	7.6	3211	5.6	4.81
01-02	267	3.43	310	3.08	247	7.3	10457	8.1	1432	2.5	4.88
02-03	179	2.30	603	6.00	107	3.1	2403	1.8	270	0.5	2.74
03-04	142	1.82	428	4.25	113	3.3	2319	1.7	2227	3.9	2.99
04-05	80	1.03	57	0.06	7	0.2	2161	1.6	1833	3.2	1.21
05-06	81	1.04	28	0.03	15	0.3	661	0.5	1325	2.3	0.83
06-07	58	0.75	10	0.01	14	0.3	431	0.3	158	0.3	0.33
07-08	50	0.64	3	0.00	19	0.5	1861	1.4	2300	4.0	1.30
08-09	22	0.28	4	0.00	5	0.1	796	0.6	842	1.5	0.49
09-10	17	0.22	-7	0.00	10	0.3	152	0.1	102	0.2	0.16
10-11	87	1.12	-310	0.00	15	0.4	317	0.2	116	0.2	0.38
11-12	95	1.22	-2	0.00	26	0.7	287	0.2	0	0.0	0.42
12-13	90	1.16	-1	0.00	21	0.6	206	0.2	173	0.3	0.45
13-14	142	1.82	11	0.01	74	2.2	1395	1.1	2136	3.7	1.76
14-15	459	5.90	26	0.03	162	4.7	1796	1.4	1529	2.7	2.94
15-16	598	7.68	40	0.04	80	2.4	3711	2.9	2142	3.7	3.34
16-17	655	8.41	490	4.87	119	3.5	7701	6.0	4346	7.6	6.07
17-18	526	6.76	1221	12.13	227	6.6	14492	11.2	3445	6.0	8.53
18-19	546	7.01	851	8.45	240	7.1	6524	5.1	3153	5.5	6.63
19-20	534	6.86	1323	13.18	551	16.2	19821	14.8	4830	8.4	11.88
20-21	580	7.45	1822	18.18	377	11.1	8767	6.7	7928	13.8	11.44
21-22	770	9.89	1609	15.98	300	8.7	9921	7.6	49391	8.6	10.15
22-23	768	9.87	926	9.21	314	9.2	10137	7.8	3451	6.0	8.41
23-24	513	6.59	602	5.98	242	7.1	13092	10.1	5543	9.6	7.87
Totals	7785	100.1	10066	101.51	3425	100.0	129382	99.0	43615	100.1	100.01

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Appendix Table 3. Chum and Pink Salmon escapements, Kwiniuk River, 1965-1971.

Year	Chum	Pink	Total
1965	26,634	8,301	34,935
1966	32,786	10,629	43,415
1967	24,444	3,508	27,952
1968	18,813	126,764	145,577
1969	19,687	56,683	76,370
1970 <sup>2/</sup>	68,004	235,131	303,135
1971 <sup>2/</sup>	38,679	16,634	55,313
1972			
1973			

1/. Tower count minus upriver subsistence catch.

2/. Expanded data.